

Mosley, Carolyn

Page 1 of 1

4/23/01

US Dept. of Energy
Oak Ridge, TN 37831

Dear friends,

I would like to raise objections to the proposed Y-12 National Security Complex. It seems unwise for us to spend billions of dollars to prepare weapons to provide more security for our country when we already have 16,000 nuclear weapons now ready about. There is no nation in the world which spends as much or has as large a military arsenal as we. There is no need for new bomb manufacture operations. The Y-12 CTS violates US non-proliferation goals. Also, there is absolutely no way to assure environmental or public safety when producing nuclear weapons.

Please give very serious thought to this matter. The United States would be much more secure if spending time & money helping our enemies & those in need.

Sincerely,
Carolyn Mosley

Comment No. 1

Issue Code: 16

Comment noted. Parties to the Nuclear Nonproliferation Treaty agree not to directly or indirectly transfer nuclear weapons or other nuclear explosive devices or control over them to any recipient; and not to in any way assist, encourage, or induce nonnuclear weapon states to manufacture or alter use, or acquire nuclear weapons, or alter nuclear explosive devices or control over them. Continuation of the Y-12 mission, and construction and operation of a HEU Materials Facility and Special Materials Complex by the United States does not conflict with such an agreement. The proposed action, which includes continuing weapons dismantlement activities at Y-12, fully supports the goals of Article VI of the Nuclear Nonproliferation Treaty, in which signatory nations agree to work toward total disarmament. Since the end of the Cold War, the United States has significantly reduced the size of the nuclear weapons stockpile, and DOE has dismantled more than 15,000 nuclear weapons. At the present time, the United States is further downsizing the nuclear weapons stockpile consistent with the terms of START I and the recently ratified START II. While future arms control reductions may change requirements for maintaining the weapons stockpile, DOE is responsible for meeting the current requirements set forth by the President and Congress. Discussion of alternative uses of the Nation's funds is beyond the scope of the Y-12 SWEIS.

1/16

1/16
(cont.)